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and decisive. We started out to beat sum of money ever raised in the same dustriously and chivalrously. They have given their goodwill service as well as their money. They have worked for God and humanity, and their efforts richly deserve success. will be too bad to let the campaign fail. It will be humiliating. We are all so

We can do ft, you know. We have the lation? money-we are rich, we are able to give There are some subjects which, from a million. It is not a question of ability, the nature of the case, the individual It is a question of willingness. Shall the States cannot regulate. One of these is

Bedraggled Art.

Oscar Wilde's infamous play, "Salome, should be a perversion. There is no mention of Salome by name in the simple and fearless preacher had denounced Herod to his face for marrying his brother Philip's wife in defiance of law. John was thrown into prison and Herodias day made a supper to his lords, high captains and chief estates of Galilee, and jeets which came in and danced and pleased Herod soever thou wilt, and I will give it thee." The damsel went to her mother for advice, and Herodias told her to ask for the head of John the Bautist, Whereupon the King sent his executioner, and he returned with the head of the prophet on a charger and delivered it to the dam_ sel, and she delivered it to her mother; and Herodian was avenged. Oscar Wilde's narrative is totally differ-

ent. He makes Salome the central figure she loses her heart to John the Bantist. who is called Jokanaan in the play. She makes violent love to John, and in the most sensuous way asks for a kiss. John repulses her and she replies significantly that she will yet kiss his lips by and by. Herod is madly in love with Salome, and begs her to dance for him. She reluctantlaselvious dance known to the art. disrobing as she dances. This scene is made all the more disgusting by the lustful conduct of Herod while the dance pro-Finally, when the dance is ended. Herod is so infatuated that he offers to give her whatsoever she may ask, and she demands the head of Jokensan. Her request is granted, and the severed head. ta brought upon the stage. Salome takes

to it, caresses it. kisses the ashen lips, and presses her teeth into the gelid flesh. The callous Herod is so disgusted with this brutality that he orders the woman to be killed in his presence; and the curtain goes down.

Yet a large and representative nuclience in New York saw this play, which has been set to music by Richard Strauss, and, so far from manifesting disgust, gave every evidence of delightful appreciation, according to the reports in the New York papers. If this be a token of the taste and moral sense of New York, it is not surprising that that city should have in its gay set the Harry Thaws, the Evelyn Nesbits and the bost of others of their kind, and the coincidence of the Oscar Wilde performance and the Harry Thaw trial in the same week has a significance surprising that that city should have in ster and kind, and the coincidence of the Oscar upon which New York may seriously reflect.

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To have shared with any human being any one deep sensation of Joy of sorrow sinks deep the foundation of a lasting love.—Coleridge.

The Time to Raily.

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The Times-Dispatch has great pride in Richmond. It is a noble city, and just now the eyes of the whole State are upon us, watching the progress of our carmpaign for the Y. M. C. A., building fund. This fastitution eccupies a unique position in the community. It is a religious sentiment of Richmond. It is an institution which represents all demonitmatices, and in great part it represents the first of the principle of the progressive spirit of the community. It is a religious sentiment of Richmond. It is an institution which represents all demonitmatices, and in great part it represents the first of the principle of the progressive spirit of the community. It is a religious sentiment of Richmond. It is an institution of the welfare of young men, and there is a commercial element involved which chance a first-rate Y. M. C. A., and the business world so understand the content of the progressive spirit of the community.

We teach our children that art is developed the content of the progressive spirit of the community.

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Not only has it conserted with in life. Careless sailors drifting on the Richmond started out to raise \$200,000 sensuality and lawdness, but it has currents, with no aim but pleasure, find for a new building, and it was promised employed its cunning and allurements life a pastime-for a time. sang the score, one and all, made their full strain of vigilance, lest the wind art subservient to the polluted imagishould sweep them backward; often handnation of a pervert. Such a desecra- weary and heart-weary, they are tempttion is enough to arouse the righteous ed to give up all effort and let things true artist and amateur.

Federal Usurpation.

proud of Richmond, and during the year regulate child labor through the opera-1907 she will be very much in the public tion of the interstate commerce law on forth every moment must be an effort, is there not enough civic pride in Rich- is a national cvil, and can only be stopped will sweep you away. mond to save the day? Are we willing, by a national remedy. There are many as a people, to let it be said that we national evils; does Mr. Beveridge prowould not do what we set out to do? pose to deal with all by national legis-

campaign fail? If so, it will not be a interstate commerce, and the framers of Y. M. C. A. failure. It will be a RICH- the Constitution recognized the fact. But MOND FAILURE. We can't afford it. no one of them over imagined that this There are several days yet remaining to provision of national law would ever be The cause can be saved. Fallure so perverted as to usurp the reserved , may be averted. Glorious success is yet rights of the States. Mr. Beveridge says within our grasp. Let us reach out and that his remedy could be applied withgrasp it. It would be a noble Sunday re- out raising the disputed question of at the right hand of the throne of God. power of Congress over interstate commerce." That is a subterfuge which is was first offered to Sarah Bernhardt, but no relation between interstate commerce and dashes us, maimed and wrecked, on a she declined it after having been apprised and child labor. One is a material ques-rock-bound shore. Happy they who have by the author that he had sought only to make something "cruel and sensual." would be an arrogant usurpation for Con-With such a purpose there is no wonder gress to employ the interstate commerce is not, then, of storms we speak, but of that an author with Wilde's intellect and law as a police regulation in such a case. the constant, steady set of the current utter lack of moral sensibility should Scarcely less objectionable than the against us. have succeeded in his design. Nor is it Beveridge bill is the bill introduced by strange that the play of such an author Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, fulfil the duty of some uncongenial callwhich makes it unlawful for an interstate carrier to transport from the State all the while conscious of hidden power. Baptist, St. Mark tells us in a few words of a mine or factory in which children that Herodias, the wife of Herod, had a are employed or permitted to work in some, by the holiest and most noble reaquarrel against John, because that stern violation of the child labor laws of the State in which the factory or mine is located. What has the national government to do with this question? Times-Dispatch is heartily in favor of bided her time. "And when a convenient legislation to protect the little children. It has even gone so far as to advocate belong exclusively to the when the daughter of the said Herodias States, and Congress has no business to on a golden, sunlit flood; and, instead of interfere. We are not surprised at Senand them that sat with him, the King ator Beveridge, for he is a Foderalist. full sympathy, tenderness and love." said to the damsel, "Ask of me what- We are surprised at Senator Simmons, for he was elected as a Southern Dom.

A Call for Conservatism.

"Legislation is getting more and more hostlle against corporations and capital gusted, and, as Mr. Rockefeller sald, 1907 must fall upon some of their own repre- is not our rest. sentatives. a railroad exists primarily to haul things says another writer, "Harriman sees that freight." And the London Economist and master it, that we may remain n

blood dripping from the charger, etc. So far his plans have prospered, but the upon the stage. Salome takes ts brought upon the stage. Salome takes a position to raise or depress prices at else. True rest begins only when the the gruesome object in her hand, talks will, through the big holdings of stock current of our thought and will runs

and larger funds at their disposal, is not one which encourages the small investor, who is naturally doubtful how his earthenware pot will fare among such as carticinware pot will fare among such a crowd of big brass vessels. It is to this cause that the present somewhat strained condition of the American market is largely due, as it is only by investment buying that permanent relief.can be found from the burden of 'undigested' securities. Following on the scandals in connection with the management of the funds of the New York Life and Multipl. leave. of the New York Life and Mutual Insur-ance Companies, the present disclosures of the mysteries of American high finance are calculated to cause a feeling of dis-trust, which not even the record prospertrust, which not even the record prosper-ity of the country can altogether counter-

trial in the same week has a significance with great corporations for their own profit and trifled with the public interest until public indignation has at last aroused. It was high time that these captains is a matter with which New York is should be court-martialed, but there is alone concerned. Every city is en- now danger that public indignation will tided to its own taste and standard carry too far and defeat its own end. of morals, but there is another phase We have a great country, we have great with which the whole world is con- prosperity, and for the sake of punishing cerned. A great musician has clothed the evildoers we must not destroy prop-this filthy play with divine music, erty and prosperity and thereby punish

home-coming song, by Rev. W. T. Hund- possessions, but recent statistics go to

but of the progressive spirit of the com- graded both itself and its votaries who have any high and earnest purpose

that the campaign should be short, sharp to ald, abet and popularize a vile per- But these who have a pilot, a compass. formance. Strauss, who composed the a laid-out course, and are in haste upon music, and the men and women who the errand of Heaven, are kept to the

> measure of the influences which surround us. The stirring of a high and godly Senator Beveridge justifies his bill to purpose in life is like swinging round with the head to the current. Thencethe score that the working of children every thought a prayer, or the stream

on, and strength will flow into you from unseen springs. Life will gather force as it breasts the billows. It will sweep onward with ever strengthening impetus, and things will learn at length that they must follow you.

Without question, life is a hard matter to the earnest soul; the night is dark, the toll hard. But faith directs us to look steadily at Him for whom the night was darker still and the toll harder, but who now is seated a radiant Conquero

contrariness of the current in life. We of some great do not mean the shock storm, which tears us from our anchor

ing-with no hope of escape and yet

of production into another State products. Why does he not extricate himself? Perhaps the current is too strong; and sons, are bound to conditions which make their life-cruise a round of hard and un lovely duties until death.

There are others who are crossed in their dearest hopes. Life with them is one long and sad regret. They pull steadily and bravely at the cars of duty; compulsory education. But these are sub- but the thought is never absent, "I might be sweeping, with every sail spread, this weary loneliness, have had to the There are others with a weak or crip pled body, enshrining a spirit of noblest faculty. They writhe and rage, until they learn patience under the discipline

And there are others, whose home in fluence is marred by some habit which in every form," said a Wall Street writer brings darkness and distress to those the other day. "Capital is getting dis- who are dearest. In vain they strive to 'curb it: it seems to have full mustery, would be a year in which the man who and yet ever and anon, by a new effort, carried the dinner pail would suffer most." progress, if slow, is made; and most of Corporations may well be alarmed at this us find that something is always rising state of public sentiment, but the blame up to cross us, as if to teach us that this

'A man who supposes that Happy those whose dearest do not keep their heart-strings strained to bursting from one place to another is an old fogy," Happy the patriot whose soul is not wrung by his country's sorrows and burdens.

there is far more money in the financial. Why are we thus kept always undeend of the railroad than there is in strain? God lets the wind be contrary the commonplace business of moving to teach us to set ourselves against it thus comments upon the latest Harri- ter forevermore. We are kings, and we must conquer our kingdom. Life and its "We are left with the impression that mystery is only explained by eternity. Mr. Harriman Kenss a sharper eye of We understand but dimly now; yet, as Wall Street than on the Union Pacific Railroad and that he uses the chormous funds placed at his disposal to carry out what is true progress, and the strength, patience, courage, hope stored up within. These are the true gains of life. God will not suffer us to rest on anything

parallel with the thought and will of

The Master is watching how the lessons prosper. Not from on high, not from some safe retreat, but there in the midst of the storm He is watching, Nay! He is drawing nigh in the very crisis of the danger and distress. He enters the ship, and the danger is over!

Wonderful as is the life-voyage and the winds and currents that are suffered to set against it, wonderful as are the toils and dangers to which God wills we should be exposed, the most wonderful of all is the deliverance which is sure to come; and weeping and toll is turned into praise.

The Master, who holds all things in His hand, shares through the dark and His hand, shares through the dark and pray?

dreary night the toll and peril of His He'd use it still, since—note his wite—
pilgrims, and in His own time He will The rondeau's brief,

—H. S. H. come and will not tarry.

Our storm-tossed ship, strained by the gale and swept by the seas, is yet the vessel which shall bear Christ and His fortunes!

"Jesus Deliverer!

Come Thou to me; Soothe Thou my voyaging

Over life's sea-And when the storm of death

Roars sweeping by, Whisper, O Truth of Truth, 'Peace, it is I.' "

The Mikado may have his eye on the Philippines and may desire them for his show that the Japanese as a people are not very much in love with the Philippine Islands as a place of residence. The recent report of the Philippine commission by the insular collector of customs for the fiscal year ended June 30th last, shows that but 277 Japanese went to the Islands in 1906, as against 1,235 for the preceding year, 2,744 in 1904 and 1,072 in 1903. In 1906, 377 Japanese left the islands.

The Mikado's subjects are far more in love with the United States than they are with the Philippine Islands, in spite of the San Francisco incident.

Mr. Shonts resigns his canal position for a more lucrative job elsewhere, and is voted a jolly good fellow. Mr. Wallace, who was handed one of the most stinging rebukes on record for doing the same thing, may find his logarithms handy for Hon. B. Tillman declares that Speake

Cannon is a usurper. In the face of this, it may comfort the Senator to be unhesitatingly assured that his stock of almosthumor is absolutely safe from burglary.

assets enough to run our enormous busisays the Lewiston Journal, Maine journalism seems to be humping along. Late quotations on New York Aldermer

furnish a staggerer for pessimistic economists who have been complaining that the cost of the necessities are advancing all along the line. Alligator flesh is said to taste almost

Miss Ellen Terry insists that in her forthcoming tour she will visit only the

civilized portions of the United States.

Miss Terry, we fear, will be put to some little inconvenience in avoiding landing at New York. Michigan's new Senator started his career as a popcorn vender. His tumble

in life, however, may have been due to circumstances wholly beyond his control,

On Thursday, Governor Magoon climbed out of a window and trod out a fire on the palace roof. Fireman's hose is sometimes not in it with half-hose. Still, it must be admitted that the com-

plaints against the automobiles come only from that insignificant element of the population which uses the street cars. Mr. Harriman, however, must not feel surprised at finding himself classed among

the principal arguments for government ownership of railways. Meanwhile, we are anxiously awaiting a decision from the Anti-Profanity Society anent the free use of "The Gatun

An elephant takes up the collection in some of the Hindu temples. No doubt he

The objective of the St. Louis girl who amnounces that she can dress well on \$1 a week, is, it would appear, to connect with the plunk.

Andrew Carnegie's proffered tip to the Grim Reaper still lies untouched. Death, whatever his other demerits, is no waiter.

The New Haven Health Officer's warning

to desist from kissing will doubtless b fully honored in the breach. It's all right for the melancholy days to come, but it is going a little too far when they insist on being waitzed around

again.

The Joeballey investigation promises to be of a duration which will fairly entitle the Senator to the title of the Texas Smoot. But for the grammar of it, "Bangs Is Ruled Out" would read more like a

Ruled Out" would read more like a cap'llary caption from the Ladles' Own

A. Swettenham, Bart, has our unquali-fied permission to go as far as he likes.

The country, it seems, is busy turning out a new professional class known a Ex-Engineers of the Panama Canal.

The barber is, after all, the great conversational hair-splitter.

If it is true that Swettenham's resigned If cooking does not kill bacilli, some o

t must greatly amuse them. Stewart Edward White, the author, has left his bungalow, in California, where he has lived for the last two years, and has joined the authors' colony in New York.

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Rhymes for To-Day

The Rondeau.

THE rondeau's brief yet charming style,
I'd die before I could revile:
It takes mild topics, light and stray,
And sings them in a gay, deft way
That must allure a slow, pleased smile.

To pipe sweet themes that have no guile And charm one's heart a little white Yes, that would be, as lawyers say, The rondeau's brief,

MERELY JOKING The Winning Smile.

Mame-I don't see how you got so stuck on him. He ain't good-lookin' nor nothin', 'Mag-I know he ain't, but didn't you never notice wat a lot o' gold he's got in his teeth?-Philadelphia Press.

Mrs. Chugwater—Josiah, this paper says "municipal ownership is an ignis fatuus." What is an ignis fatuus."
Mr. Chugwater—Thai's so plain that any-body ought to know what it means at first sight. "Ignis" means fire. "Patuus" is sight. "Fatus" in the fire—Chicago Tri-

Explaining His Heroism.

Bystander—You have certainly shown won-derful bravery in savings and man's life. Ia-he a relative of youngs? Ifers—Relative? Oh, man! But he owes me \$100.—Somerville Journ!

Conceited Actor—Yes, I inherited my tal-ent. Astonished Listener—Indeed! What did you do with it after that?—Detroit Free Press.

Casey's Union.

Mike-Phwot union does Casey wurk for Pat-His wolfe, his mother-in-law, an' sivir childer,-New York Times.

"There is nothing more enjoyable than whon Greek meets Greek," remarked the Wise Guy, "Thiess it is whon a girl who is ireased to kill meets a lady killer," added he Simple Mug.—Philadelphia Record.

POINTS FROM PARAGRAPHERS.

I F THE Democrats who are talking about nominating Roosevelt for President next year can succeed in their scheme, they will for once have a candidate who can be elected.—Philadelphia Press.

The good Dr. Day, of Syracuse, says that the poor are lazy and drink too much What a happy faculty that man has of en-dearing himself to the people!—Philadelphia Ledger. . . .

collics this year.—Washington Post.

If a woman can't brag about her husband for anything else, it will be about how near he came to going into the ministry when he was young—New York Press.

The Texas Legislature having vindicated Senator Bailey by a re-election, will now proceed to investigate him.—Philadelphia Press. "Swettenham is grateful," says a new beadline. Probably thankful he didn't shot how much of an ass he really is.—Philadel phia North American.

COMMENT OF VIRGINIA EDITORS.

Never Too Late.

Never Too Late.

George I. Long, an editor of Manson, Ia.. is about to enter college. The remarkable thing about to enter college. The remarkable thing about it is that Mr. Long is fifty years old and hus a very successful record behind him. All his lifelong he has desired behind him. All his lifelong he has desired behind him all his lifelong he has desired unable to realize his ambition. Now that he has achieved financial independence, he turns back to his love of knowledge for its own sake, and shows a spirit that is all too rare among us. This man is a living answer to the narrowness and pessimism of younger men who spend their time in regretting opportunities that were lost, or never came at all, instead of making the best of what yet remains. It is never too late to improve, and we venture to predict that Mr. Long's college days will be the best of his life.—

Roanoke Times.

The One-Sided Roosevelt.

It is unfortunate for President Roosevelt that he can never see but one side of any question, and that is the side which he favors. It is also unfortunate that he cansiders his own will superior to the law. He has caused two autis to be instituted at San Francisco to test the right of Japanese pupils to enter the white achools of that city. It seems impossible for him to conceive the companies of their internal affairs, or to appreciate the state have any right to regulate and their internal affairs, or to appreciate the that a treaty between the United States and any foreign power cannot supersede the right of the States to requiate and control their own internal affairs.—Rosnoke World.

Carolina Chivalry.

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The beautiful action of the people of South Carolina, through Governor Ansel, in sending a handsome floral offering, which was given the place of honor at the Lee celebration in Richmond, and the appropriate Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir,—"Oh, yes," you say, "many times." Sir,—"Oh, yes," you say, "many times." But you only mean that often after a But you only mean that often after a celebration in Richmond, and the appropriate response of Governor Swanson, are among the notable events of the centenary in Virginia. The words of the Governor of Virginia. The words of the Governor of Virginia. This act of generous courtesy deeply touched our people, and added, as Governor Swanson said in his letter, to the many ties which have bound together these lilustrious Commonwealths.—Danville Register.

Address on Lee Address on Lee.

We are gratified to see tant The Richmond Times-Dispatch has a long editorial: expressing in most appreciative terms its sense of satisfaction at the several sense of satisfaction at the several sense of satisfaction at the several sense of General Lee and the Southern Coefficient of the sense of General Lee and the Southern Coefficient feeling or periudice. When we remember that this gentleman is a Massachustis man, and the grandson of President John Adams, the father of Federalism, and the sense of Frederalism, and the son of President John Adams, who was as bitter in John Quiney Adams, who was as bitter in John Statisman, and the grandson, these deliverances are as surprising as they are gratifying. I all of his addresses he vindicated in the sense of the

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

A pair of shoes can be made in just thirty four minutes with the aid of fitteen differen machines and sixty-three different workmen Two women at Sedalia, Mo., were sent to jail for five days because they refused to send their children to school. United States Senator S. H. Piles, of Sent-tle, Wash, has asked a fee of \$455,000 for his services rendered as attorney in a will

Steel ties exclusively are to be used on the Bessemer and Lake Eric Railway hereafter, according to an announcement made by Chief Engineer Porter.

San Francisco's "Barbary Coast," like its San Francisco's "Barbary Coast," like its Jinatown, is being re-errected on the old ite, thus fulfilling the predictions of those who said that the good resolutions made fifter the fire by the San Franciscans would The first Farmers' Alliance Convention in Liberia, Africa, was recently held at Mon-rovia, the capital. As a result the African Astreutural World, published in that city, says that Liberia's agricultural resources are to be developed.

on developing.

Out in Kansas City the police are looking or a man of feet 10 inches tall who is alleger by have passed a wrench ...rough a second ory window of the detention home there at aided the girls to escape. It is though that he will have considerable trouble it dling himself.

hiding binsoff.

The case of the North-German Insurance Company, which was ordered to pay claims incurred in the San Francisco disaster, rested entirely on the punctuation of its certhquist clause. The position of a commu made the company, according to the court decision liable for risks amounting to \$4,500,000.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Adams's Tribute to Lee.

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Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—Nowhere have I seen what appeared to me to be the noblest passage in Mr. Adams's address on Lee.

Wherever I have read any report of him he is made to say, "I would have done as General Lee did!" If he had said nothing nobler or better we should have been greatly pleased as Southerners, and justly so. But what he did say, as I heard him in this intensely dramatic passage of his epochal utterance, was this, not boildly, confidently, "I would have done as General Lee did," but modestly, most beautifully and nobly, "I hope I would have done as Lee did," It was in those two simple words, "I hope," which I have not seen reported, that Mr. Adams's great appreciation of Lee, to my mind, flowed out. Those two simple words are the last words that can be said, the very perfection of praise. Moreover, let us not forget that by these two simple words, in his mensure of Lee, is shown, unintentionally, unconsclously, and so all the more truly, the greatness of Charles Francis Adams—"I hope I would have done as Lee did."

Faithfully yours.

E, H. ROWE.

A Prohibitionist's View.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch; Sir,—Your comment on my letter re-garding the liquor traffic in last Sunday's Joseph Augustin, Consideration.

Fimes-Dispatch deserves consideration. You say "the temperance people" whom you refer are "those who take

practical view of the liquor traffic."
Then, doubtless as an illustration, you say "they know that in the large cities Equor will be sold and consumed, and they prefer that it be done under the regulations and restrictions of the law than in lawless blind tigers."

Evidently your conception of "practical" temperance is reflected by those who knowingly and willingly become "partitions railing the property of the property f law and without their sanction and co-operation. Well, some people are not satisfied unless they have a share in all

satisfied unless they have a share in an that transpires.

But why not extend that "practical" idea? Why limit its operation to the saloon? Take gambling and stealing, both legitimate offspring of the saloon. No one will deny that they continue and flourish in our cities in direct opposition to law. Would it not be far more "practical" to license and regulate those vices than to wifness their daily occurrence in lawless blind tigers? If not, why not? Of course, that inevitable "particeps criminis" would follow, and some impractical, conscientious person vould object. But all the host of "practical" license voters should enthuse over the plan. It has been my observation, that, if perchance, outlawe! vice flaunts itself occasionally, then "practical" license voters become greatly agitated. But when the same vice becomes legalized and requiated it remains, oppose the license policy to take a hand. Bishop Potter, of New York, reached the acme of so-called "practical temperance." He reached the summit and descended with minus as the proper sign of the result. Bishop Potter believes in licensing the liquor traffic. He casts his ballot for a political party committed to that policy. He even became sponsor for a Gospel saloon in New York. Ha opened it, or more properly dedicated it, in his clerical gart. For Golar all that one will deny that they continue and flourish in our cities in direct opposition

opened it, or more properly dedicated it, in his cierical garb. For doing all that he was greatly censured. But he was consistent after all. Not consistent with Christian principle, moral ethics, or com-mon sense, but certainly consistent with

is politics.

If it is right to vote for a political If it is right to vote for a political party the election of which the voter knows will insure the ilcensing of saloons, then I defy any one to prove that it is not eminently right and proper for such a voter to invoke the Divine blessing upon the result of his ballot via a licensed saloon. Bishop Potter was certainly consistent.

You speak of "blind tigers"; well, there are sixteen blind tigers in New York State under license to one in Maine under prohibition.

Again Maine, with prohibition since 1885, has 50,000 more bank depositors than Ohio with license has, and Ohio has six times more population. I fear it will take the Maine voters a long time to become "practical."

become "practical."
Now, Mr. Editor, I have taxed your Now, Mr. Editor, I have waxed your patience too much. Will frankly confess that I do not believe you will publish this, because the iridescent beauties of the "practical" license system do not show up well in what I have writshow up well in what I have ten. However, I will hope for indulgence once more and thank you for your generous courtesy of the past.

Yours, etc.,

WM. W. BRADBEER.

Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

[We cannot discuss the prohibition question with any man who puts liquor drinking on a par with theft.—Editor Times-Dispatch.]

Were You Ever Really Hungry? Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—'Oh, yes," you say, "many times." But you only mean that often after a feurney, a day's hunting, a morning's shopping, or an afternoon's tennis, you have come in with a keen appetite, which gave a zest to your food Apicius might have envied. But you never went days, weeks, months, without once having enough; you never ate bark, leaves, roots of grass, and had not enough of that to satisfy that ginewing, wasting empliness! To-day in China, fifteen million people face such need. The great alluvial plains of Kiang-su province have been overflowed by increased rains, and the crops ruined. An eye-witness describes the fields last fall, which usually were then waying with golden harvests, one vast lake. Whole villages are destroyed, the rising water undermining the mud walls. An American lady going to a village often visited, could reach it only by boat, and found a poor old woman whom she knew, in the kitchen of the one remaining house, ill on a wretched cot, the floor a foot deep in mud and water. She took her into the boat, and at her home one old woman is safe and well-fed But what of other thousands? Will you care for one for your old mother's sake?

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Woods, Tsing-Klang-pu, one of the for-Woods, Tsing-Klang-pu, one of the far-mine relief committee, says: "The far-mine grows worse; the people suffering terribly. It is the worst year for two terribly. It is the worst year for two generations; 1833 was as bad, perhaps, We are trying to raise funds here, in England, and in the United States, Conour pen help?

'I pray God we may show these mis-"I pray God we may show these mis-erable ones the love of Christ. There are many thousand refugees outside cur city wall now starving. The peo-ple in the city are pinched, many with only one meal a day. Rice, flour, fuel, the three necessaries, double last year's price.

though the sights are terribly depress-ing. Pany for us, and for these people whom we love."
"Our part," he says. On their slender "Our part," he says. On their siender salaries, with expenses doubled, they will provide thirty-five lodging, fuel, food, medicine, loving care, through the coming months till next summer. And coming this land of plenty? Have we food, medicine, loving care, through the coming months (ill next summer. And we in this land of plenty? Have we not "our part," foo, to "deal our brend to the hungry?" In a Virginia towa it was proposed that those families whose hearts God touched with compassion should, denying themselves, give the cost of a dinner. "And it ought to be a Thanksgiving dinner, too," a little girl said.

Will you who read this help? If each reader will send one dollar or the "old woman's" twelve, or twenty, or fifty, as able, how many lives will be saved, cheered, blessed! Mrs. John R. Sampson, or her father, Rev. Edgar Woods, Pantops, Charlottesville, Va., will acknowledge and forward anything sent them.

'Possum.

Ole Rastus take heself one day, er ram-

blin' in de woods; Says he, "I gwine to look erbout in sarch of natur's goods. I gwine take erlonk ole Sam, de dog, en

Betsy, dat's my gun,
En in case I meets Brer 'Possum dar is
shur gwine be some fun.

"Hol" on dar, Brer 'Possum! He don seed me, en clam heself up high.
You's smart, ole Brer 'Possum, but I

wine git you by en by.
You jes sot up dar en look at me, en
grin, en weep en wall.
En I gwine make ole Betsy tell en orful funny tale,

"Oh! yes, ole Brer" 'Possum, I dene fotched yer to de groun',
En I jes gwine stop er huntin' here, and gwine strate back to town.
You is jes de biggis 'possum, en jes kivered wif fat, it seem,
En de sight you'll make wit taters is de one ob which I dreem.

"De ole owman ain here to fix yer up

jes like she use to do.
But I gwine do de bes' I can, en bake
yer the en the.
De fish is gittin, better, en de gravy am smelling fine.

En de ole man is er feelin' lak he shur gwine lose he mine.

"I jes gwine sot right down here, en

"I jos gwine sot right down here, en watch dat 'possum cook.
En cbry now en den raze de kiver en take er look.
En I gwine leab de winder up, so de fumes kin roll out lazy,
En when dese niggers roun here sinell, de las' one gwine crazy. En I gwine cat, dis nigger is, tell he

ken eat no moah. En den shet all de winders, en put de bar ercross de doah. bar ercross de doah.
Gwine to sot befo' de flah, res' dis olo
head on my han'.
En dreem ob my ole woman en all de
angel ban'.

En when I wake in glory, wif de ole owman face ter face,
I gwine tell her 'Possum's heaben, for
all de culled race.
En I kno' her mouf gwine ter water, as
we walk de golden street,
En I jes' gwine take some dis 'possum

we walk do so.

En I jes' gwine take some dis pusses.

long to gin her fer to eat."

H. C. WILLIAMS.

The Foolish Young Frog. Did you read in the "Prog" of a silly Who essayed to come out in Decem-

To choke on a croak is such a rare joke, It shouldn't be hard to remember.

Near the very same "Pool" which is private by rule, Two tadpoles were walking together; One slipped on the ice, but was up in a trice, And remarked, "It is very cold weather."

The other young sport, who thought it his fort To laugh at the wees of a brother, Hobbled quickly ahead with a comical

And said, "I will run for your mother." But he got a sharp whack on his impudent back,
And the ending, my dear, is too sad.
As he sank in the pool, he eried, "What

To quiz an unfortunate comrade."

A Cure for Kleptomania. An actor in a London lodging house An actor in a London lodging house, who had discovered his landlady's propensity for "swiping," numbered and listed his things. One night he roused the household by shouting down from his attice a demand for "No. 8."

"No. 8?" shouted the landlady back.
"What No. 8?"
"I want cube No. 8 of my lump sugar,"

"I want cube No. 8 of my lump sugar," he replied. Thenceforth the provisions in his cupboard were unmolested .- Argonaut.

THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL. Few People Know How Useful It is in

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the system. Charcoal sweetens the breath after smoking drinking or after eating onions and other odorous vegetables. Charcoal effectually clears and improves the complexion, it whitens the teeth and orther acts as a natural and eminently safe cathartic.

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